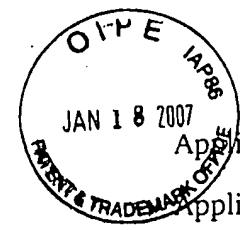


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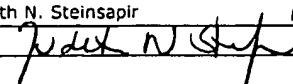
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 19, 2006 and as per the telephone interview between the Examiner and the undersigned attorney on December 13, 2006, Applicants submit this Amendment in accordance with the Examiner's request on January 18, 2007. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 26 of this paper.